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Telephone Interview of:

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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 MR. TYRRELL: It's Monday, the 19th of
- 3 February, and the time is now 5:33 Eastern Time.
- 4 Mrs. Wyatt, I was wondering if you could
- 5 start with when you first arrived at the submarine
- 6 at Pearl Harbor and if you'd kind of take me through
- 7 what you did throughout the day.
- MS. WYATT: Oh, wow.
- 9 MR. TYRRELL: Yeah.
- 10 MRS. WYATT: Okay. I'll try.
- 11 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- MRS. WYATT: But that's a tall order.
- 13 Initially I had been planning a tour of the
- 14 submarine at the berth-- I discovered shortly before
- 15 we left that it would be underway. While we were
- 16 touring, we arrived fairly early in the morning,
- 17 between 8 and 8:30, and were greeted by -- I've
- 18 forgotten her name. She gathered up our papers, our
- 19 waivers --
- MR. TYRRELL: Uh-huh.
- 21 MRS. WYATT: And then she led the way to the
- 22 submarine where we were greeted by Captain Waddle--
- MR. TYRRELL: That's all right.

- 1 MRS. WYATT: I was very excited that we had
- 2 this rare opportunity Capt. Waddle took us to the
- 3 Wardroom -- and basically, he told us what to expect.
- 4 MR. TYRRELL: What did he say?
- 5 MRS. WYATT: He told us that a submarine --
- 6 when we were underwater, we'd find that we were
- 7 riding very smooth. He told us if wanted to discuss
- 8 anything with the crew, generally they would be very
- 9 pleased to answer any questions we wanted to ask.
- 10 And he told us there were certain parts of the
- 11 submarine that we were not allowed to see. (Off
- 12 mike.) I really don't remember.
- 13 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- 14 MRS. WYATT: We asked if we could take
- 15 pictures and he said in general, yes. Ask
- 16 permission before we took the pictures because there
- 17 might be some things in particular that we shouldn't
- 18 photograph.
- 19 MR. TYRRELL: Did you take pictures?
- 20 MRS. WYATT: I took a few of my husband --
- 21 but he generally took the pictures.
- 22 MR. TYRRELL: Did anyone have a video camera
- 23 with them?

- 1 MRS. WYATT: No.
- 2 MR. TYRRELL: I guess that was too much to
- 3 ask for.
- 4 Okay. Well, go ahead. I'm sorry I
- 5 interrupted you.
- 6 MRS. WYATT: He introduced members of his
- 7 crew to us. I'm sure he went again over the same
- 8 people again -- and then we started walking around
- 9 the ship. Saw some missiles. We were under escort
- 10 at all times.
- 11 I think the most that I was ever unescorted
- 12 was when I went to the bathroom. I had to walk
- 13 maybe four steps behind. It was lucky that they
- 14 would wait for me. (Off mike.)
- 15 Generally, the crew was very professional
- 16 and respectful. I don't know how to say this. They
- 17 were pleased to show us what they did but I never
- 18 got the feeling that they were showing off.
- 19 MR. TYRRELL: Right.
- 20 MRS. WYATT: They were very patient with us.
- 21 MR. TYRRELL: After those presentations, you
- 22 said they took you around the -- a tour of the
- 23 vessel?

- 1 MRS. WYATT: Yes.
- 2 MR. TYRRELL: And where?
- 3 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.) And suggested that
- 4 since we were a large-ish group that we should -- he
- 5 proposed that we break into two or three groups.
- 6 That way we could receive more attention. And so we
- 7 did.
- 8 (Off mike.) It was just -- I don't have
- 9 the right background. There are a lot of things
- 10 that you don't understand and forget about fairly
- 11 quickly.
- 12 MR. TYRRELL: I understand. If you could
- 13 just tell me what you do remember, that would be a
- 14 great help.
- 15 MRS. WYATT: I'm trying.
- MR. TYRRELL: I know you are.
- 17 When you left the -- did you ever go
- 18 outside the submarine after it left the dock?
- 19 MRS. WYATT: Yes. We got underway going
- 20 through Pearl Harbor to open sea and we were on top
- 21 of the boat -- the submarine, at that time. (Off
- 22 mike.)
- 23 It was very exciting. (Off mike.)

- 1 MR. TYRRELL: I see.
- 2 MRS. WYATT: I mean -- well, it's up, down
- 3 and around. I remember specifically being in the
- 4 sonar room with a fellow sitting before two areas of
- 5 sonar instruments and another fellow sitting above
- 6 them behind a long -- watching. (Off mike.) I heard
- 7 some beeps and buzzes. I don't know what else.
- 8 There were three bands on the sonar that
- 9 they collected; real time, before they eventually
- 10 got a longer record of time in the same place and an
- 11 even longer record so that they could see -- simply
- 12 track a vehicle, a vessel, because it moved in a
- 13 certain way and made certain patterns --
- 14 They dialed up some whale, we moved on
- 15 because -- other people behind us wanted to find
- 16 out what was going on.
- 17 MR. TYRRELL: How long were you in the sonar
- 18 room?
- 19 MRS. WYATT: I don't really -- just a couple
- 20 of minutes. I was curious about the different
- 21 active and passive sonar.
- 22 MR. TYRRELL: When you left the sonar room,
- 23 where did you go?

- 1 MRS. WYATT: Into the control room.
- 2 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- MRS. WYATT: We passed through the control
- 4 room on our way to lunch, and we ate lunch in the
- 5 wardroom . (Off mike.) There wasn't a lot of room
- 6 for all of us.
- 7 MR. TYRRELL: Were you in the first group
- 8 that ate? My understanding there were two groups.
- 9 MRS. WYATT: I believe I was.
- 10 MR. TYRRELL: Okay. And after lunch, what
- 11 did you do then?
- MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.) Oh, I remember. I
- 13 think we went back to the torpedo room.
- MR. TYRRELL: Oh, okay.
- 15 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.) -- crawled down the
- 16 end of that tube, wrote his name at the crewman's
- 17 invitation. The rest of us were going -- no.
- 18 So before we went to the torpedo room, the
- 19 crewman asked -- (Off mike). Would we like to write
- 20 our names on styrofoam cups so they could be
- 21 subjected to pressure and you'd get to see what
- 22 happened to them. (Off mike.)
- 23 -- the tests that they do to make sure

- 1 they're working. They're shooting a slug of water.
- 2 It was very loud and we put on earphones. (Off
- 3 mike.)
- 4 MR. TYRRELL: When you left the torpedo
- 5 room, where did you go?
- 6 MRS. WYATT: At that point I went up to the
- 7 control room.
- 8 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- 9 MRS. WYATT: When we were in the control
- 10 room, we really didn't see very much. We went to
- 11 lunch. Came back after lunch (off mike). -- about
- 12 navigation. He asked me if I had a question and I
- 13 said I don't know enough to ask an intelligent
- 14 question, so I'm going to pass.
- MR. TYRRELL: When you went back to the
- 16 control room, did any of the guests take -- were
- 17 they stationed at any of the control positions on
- 18 the submarine?
- 19 MRS. WYATT: No, not at that time.
- MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- 21 MRS. WYATT: Earlier before we left for
- 22 lunch, we were -- we were out of the harbor -- (off
- 23 mike).

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1 So I asked if we could see the ADSI -- this
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- 2 big black box. He said it had something to do with
- 3 radar. So -- okay. That was enough for me. I
- 4 don't know any of this.
- 5 (Off mike.)
- 6 We kind of made our way in a clockwise
- 7 circle. And so the last thing we viewed is drivers.
- 8 Again, I don't know what to call them. I'll call
- 9 them drivers and did anybody want to drive. Sure,
- 10 if we can.
- 11 After they explained what it was that they
- 12 did and how they did it, what the dials meant. --
- 13 got their turn to drive. I did. We were down 560
- 14 feet. Make a left turn.
- MR. TYRRELL: Do you remember how many
- 16 degrees you made ?
- 17 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.) Again, went
- 18 through what it is and how to do it. Drove for a
- 19 little while, kept it straight. And this man came
- 20 out from somewhere. I was paying attention to
- 21 keeping the thing going straight and the crewman
- 22 said, okay, now we need to make a left turn. I
- 23 said, okay, and started to turn left. He told me to

- 1 hold the wheel very hard and said you need to make a
- 2 hard left turn. And he didn't take his hand off
- 3 until he was sure that I would hold the wheel
- 4 totally over. And he said, okay. He said, keep it
- 5 in this position until it reaches X number of
- 6 degrees. (Off mike.) For example, it was a 360
- 7 degree turn. You would undo the turn at 340
- 8 degrees. Twenty degrees before we got there, I
- 9 needed to rapidly straighten the wheel and let the
- 10 submarine just glide into the turn.
- 11 And so I did that. And then I said, okay,
- 12 I've enough, and let him return to the wheel. That
- 13 was very exciting for me.
- MR. TYRRELL: I'll bet it was.
- 15 MS. HALL: The other fellow in the other
- 16 seat -- there was a little peddle. I don't know what
- 17 you call it. I asked what's that little peddle. He
- 18 said, well, that's an intercom. So he probably had
- 19 everything broadcast. I'm feeling a little
- 20 amateurish right now.
- The fellow at the other wheel was doing
- 22 something different, a fine-tuning motion. (Off
- 23 mike.)

1 MR. TYRRELL: Was there another guest at the

- 2 other --
- 3 MRS. WYATT: At the same time? No. At
- 4 least not when I was there.
- 5 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- 6 MRS. WYATT: I went over to a place out of
- 7 the way so the other people could talk to the
- 8 control --
- 9 MR. TYRRELL: That was after you got up out
- 10 of the driver's seat?
- 11 MRS. WYATT: Yes. After I got out of the
- 12 driver's seat, I walked over to a different monitor
- 13 that showed our position. (Off mike.)
- 14 About that time, captain -- no. There were
- 15 more people coming in -- and they worked the
- 16 controls, too. And I just stayed to one side,
- 17 stayed out of the way. (Off mike.)
- 18 We heard over the intercom -- and they were
- 19 called angles and dangles.
- 20 MR. TYRRELL: Angles and what?
- 21 MRS. WYATT: Angles and dangles.
- MR. TYRRELL: Oh, okay.
- 23 MRS. WYATT: It just meant that there were

- 1 two best places for us to be -- this is over the
- 2 intercom. We could be in the control room where the
- 3 action was. I'm not quoting. Or we could go to the
- 4 crew mess -- where the best pictures could be taken.
- 5 I think most of us were already right at
- 6 the control room at that time and those of us who
- 7 were there -- of the visitors -- well, the people
- 8 who were there elected to stay there in the control
- 9 room. (Off mike.)
- 10 By now, everything was secured. It should
- 11 be where it couldn't be crashed or broken because of
- 12 the angle. And before every maneuver that we made,
- 13 he -- the hard turn. (Off mike.) But I do know that
- 14 before every maneuver he did tell us what to expect.
- 15 (Off mike.)
- 16 He went into his own office, came back out
- 17 and said something to Pheifer -- one of the men.
- 18 (Off mike.)
- 19 So, we came to the surface -- it turns out
- 20 that there is a camera in the periscope attached to
- 21 a black thing on it where he could see what was
- 22 going on. Seeing that I had limited experience with
- 23 a periscope, I tended to watch the monitor more than

- 1 anything because that's like TV. But to orient
- 2 myself, I occasionally looked back at the periscope
- 3 to get the feeling of what direction I'm looking at.
- 4 Anyway, I saw Cohen-- he made at least one
- 5 rotation -- then, Captain Waddle came in and made
- 6 two rotations. And throughout their use of the
- 7 periscope, they put magnification on certain spots.
- 8 Looking at the frame, I never saw anything
- 9 but waves but, wow, it was pretty rough in there. I
- 10 didn't see anything but waves.
- 11 This happened very quickly. We were up at
- 12 periscope depth and the submarine makes this groan
- 13 because of changing pressure. We got down --
- 14 silently to myself.
- 15 Before the captain started doing any of
- 16 these angles and dangles, one of the rules for us
- 17 staying in the control room was to be totally quiet.
- 18 MR. TYRRELL: He had said that?
- 19 MRS. WYATT: He said that he needed us to be
- 20 quiet. I'm not quoting.
- 21 MR. TYRRELL: Right.
- 22 MRS. WYATT: None of us ever -- you know,
- 23 we're just as quiet as we can be. Nobody said

1 anything. There was nothing for us to say. We were

- 2 intently watching and experiencing.
- 3 So anyway, back to this last maneuver. We
- 4 went down -- apparently pretty rapidly. I had no
- 5 sensation of going deep at all so it surprised me --
- 6 and then he invited John Hall to-blow down.
- 7 He came into the control room, right? He
- 8 told us that we would be doing this emergency blow
- 9 down to the surface. At that time, -- (off mike).
- 10 He asked Thoman's wife Deana if she would
- 11 like to toot the horn and he asked Pat Clary if she
- 12 wanted to be behind the driver's seat. He said, can
- 13 we do this? He assured them that was fine.
- 14 Pat didn't get into the chair yet. She
- 15 just got close to the chair. Likewise, John moved
- 16 from where he was over to where the levers were.
- 17 Each of the crew men told their respective persons
- 18 what they wanted them to do.
- 19 Meanwhile, -- coming to the surface and
- 20 doing the periscope thing and going back down. Once
- 21 we were down, quickly traded places. John did the
- 22 levers. As he stated on TV -- I saw him say on TV,
- 23 I saw the crewman double check by putting his hands

1 on top of John's. I don't know what position Pat

- 2 was. He was in the chair sitting there.
- 3 MR. TYRRELL: Where were you standing at
- 4 that time?
- 5 MRS. WYATT: At that time, I was in front of
- 6 -- what I assumed was the front of the control room.
- 7 There's -- speaking clockwise, at about 2:00
- 8 there's a sonar room. Come down to 3:00, you enter
- 9 the control room. You're trying to work your way
- 10 around in a clockwise fashion. At about 7:00
- 11 there's about another hallway.
- 12 I'm standing about 12:00, a little to the
- 13 left of that other door exit which is to the right,
- 14 a passageway in front of the monitors. (Off mike.)
- 15 There was a cylinder trashcan. Only had a
- 16 padded seat and -- that looked like it would be out
- 17 of the way so I sat there.
- 18 North. If 12 is north, then I'm north and
- 19 to the right of the periscope. I'm sorry. That's
- 20 the best I can tell you where I was.
- 21 MR. TYRRELL: You had said that Mr. Hall had
- 22 moved to up to where the levers were and that Mr.
- 23 Clary had moved into the seat.

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1 MRS. WYATT: The crewmen traded positions
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- 2 with the guests after we had gone down to the depth
- 3 that we going to ride from. It all happened very
- 4 quickly. Like I said, I was surprised that he had
- 5 gotten to periscope depth to where we were going to
- 6 ride in such a short amount of time. And then
- 7 everything -- blow the horn, throw the levers and
- 8 something else. I don't remember. (Off mike.)
- 9 Now, at the beginning of each procedure the
- 10 captain always told us what to expect. He told us
- 11 to expect some submarine noises because we'd be
- 12 changing depths. But we'd never gone through any of
- 13 this stuff before so we didn't really know what to
- 14 expect. I have no eyes, so to speak, except the
- 15 monitor.
- Periscope down, there's nothing showing.
- 17 And there's no way to see anything outside of the
- 18 submarine. So I'm trying to feel because I don't
- 19 know what to expect. I'm thinking the submarine is
- 20 going to come up out of the water and -- feel a
- 21 change of angle. Maybe I'll feel it coming back down
- 22 to the water.
- 23 It really surprised me to suddenly hear a

1 large -- a loud crashing sound but I didn't know if

- 2 that was normal or not. I went immediately to the
- 3 captain, who looked surprised. (Off mike.)
- And to my left, not close -- anyway, he
- 5 turned. He said, what was that. And then he turned
- 6 and started to -- it was actually more purposeful.
- 7 I can't describe it other than that. It seemed he
- 8 was going to do something. Started walking in the
- 9 direction of the periscope -- then we heard -- I
- 10 heard another loud crash. (Off mike.)
- If he was in gear before, he was in high
- 12 gear now. He started issuing some commands,
- 13 periscope up. (Off mike.)
- 14 I was one of the first ones out. The
- 15 periscope I quess was up. (Off mike.) In fact, as I
- 16 was leaving the control room, I heard -- (off mike).
- 17 MR. TYRRELL: When you looked out in the
- 18 monitor at the vessel, what did you see? What did
- 19 it look like?
- 20 MRS. WYATT: I saw a boat that was almost --
- 21 I thought it was a lot smaller than it was because
- 22 it was already half sunk. The upper structure of
- 23 the deck was all that I saw. (Off mike.)

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I thought it was smaller just because I
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- 2 some people. What gave me a clue that it might be
- 3 bigger than it appeared to be was the size of the
- 4 windows in the structure.
- 5 I was one of the first ones. I was going
- 6 to the top when somebody came down and told us to
- 7 use the crew's mess as a emergency medical station.
- 8 I know we all immediately filed into the wardroom--
- 9 (off mike).
- 10 I was in the crew mess. I was one of the
- 11 last ones. (Off mike.)
- 12 MR. TYRRELL: I'm sure it would have been to
- 13 anybody.
- 14 MRS. WYATT: Yeah. (Off mike.) We went to
- 15 the torpedo room.
- 16 So we all went down there and (off mike).
- 17 It wasn't until the third time that someone
- 18 reassured us that we were just fine. Then it
- 19 occurred to me to worry about my own safety.
- 20 MR. TYRRELL: Right.
- 21 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- MR. TYRRELL: Well, --
- 23 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)

1 We didn't go out there expecting this for

- 2 sure and everyone knew what to do. Everyone jumped
- 3 into action. (Off mike.)
- 4 MR. TYRRELL: Did Commander Wattle every
- 5 come down and talk to the guests in person after the
- 6 accident?
- 7 MRS. WYATT: Yes, after -- not while we were
- 8 down in the torpedo room. We were in the torpedo
- 9 room for a long time. I don't remember adding things
- 10 up but I was -- (off mike).
- 11 MR. TYRRELL: And where did you go then?
- 12 MRS. WYATT: Well, someone came down and
- 13 said there were people in the water, lifeboats. I
- 14 remember before leaving the crew's mess seeing a
- 15 diver near the hatch. (Off mike.) And I remember
- 16 him standing there ready.
- 17 And at this point, I've been down here
- 18 maybe three minutes. There's already a guy ready to
- 19 go up. Wow. Unbelievable.
- 20 We were down in the torpedo room. At some
- 21 point someone came down and asked -- can anybody
- 22 speak Japanese? Perhaps Chinese? Having trouble
- 23 understanding each other. Speak a common language.

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1 (Off mike.)
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- 2 MR. TYRRELL: Right.
- 3 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 4 They were safer in the lifeboats because
- 5 the high seas, opening the hatch sitting low in the
- 6 water, were dangerous. (Off mike.)
- 7 The decision was that they were safer in
- 8 the lifeboat -- (off mike).
- 9 MR. TYRRELL: This was information that was
- 10 passed to you by other guests while you were waiting
- 11 in the torpedo room? Was it given by word of mouth
- 12 directly to the guests or was this the substance of
- 13 announcements given over the PA system?
- 14 MRS. WYATT: This was word of mouth.
- 15 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 17 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- 18 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 19 I don't know. I couldn't see. But I'm
- 20 sure the Coast Guard came and we were asked to move
- 21 to the -wardroom and that's when we found out that
- 22 -- (off mike).
- We tried to stay up late just to wear

- 1 ourselves out, and we did.
- 2 At some point early on in the trip, I had
- 3 been told that submarines normally had about 130
- 4 people in the crew; 20 had not been required to
- 5 report that day. (Off mike.) But I also knew that
- 6 those 20 crew members that weren't on board probably
- 7 were assigned various rooms (off mike).
- 8 MR. TYRRELL: Yeah. I'll bet they are.
- 9 So, did anything else that you think might
- 10 be significant to the accident or to the rescue or
- 11 anything that happened that evening?
- 12 MRS. WYATT: Mr. Tyrrell -- (off mike).
- 13 MR. TYRRELL: Okay. Nothing that you can
- 14 recall.
- MRS. WYATT: Well, (off mike).
- 16 MR. TYRRELL: Right.
- 17 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.) I didn't
- 18 understand it.
- 19 MR. TYRRELL: Okay. I hear what you're
- 20 saying. I understand.
- 21 MRS. WYATT: So, in one ear and out the
- 22 other. I do believe that none of us really wanted
- 23 to be asked questions -- (off mike).

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1 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
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- 2 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 3 MR. TYRRELL: Okay.
- 4 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 5 Tried to relieve our tension playing cards,
- 6 --
- 7 MR. TYRRELL: The next morning, what
- 8 happened, for the rest of your trip back?
- 9 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 10 Walked across the bridge onto -- looked to
- 11 me like a tugboat. I'm told it was a Navy torpedo
- 12 retriever. (Off mike.) -- briefed by somebody, and
- 13 we went into -- well, we went wherever we went, to a
- 14 building at -- I'm not sure if it was ADM Konetzni.-
- 15 (off mike).
- 16 Told us that he was real sorry -- (off
- 17 mike)
- 18 Really the thing that struck me was -- (off
- 19 mike).
- 20 MR. TYRRELL: Okay. You have a remarkable
- 21 memory. That's very good. Very thorough.
- Thank you very much for taking the time
- 23 share this with me. If you think of anything more

1 that you think might be important, please don't

- 2 hesitate to give me a call.
- 3 Is there anything else that you can think
- 4 of now that we haven't discussed?
- 5 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 6 And Captain Waddle went on to say that he
- 7 was smart enough to surround himself with men who
- 8 knew more than he did and he compared that to his
- 9 own situation. (Off mike.) Wouldn't be able to run
- 10 the ship without reliable dependable knowledgeable
- 11 people.
- 12 We had fish for lunch. The fish was so
- 13 outstanding. Everybody said, wow, wonderful fish.
- 14 And later at some point after the crash we were in
- 15 the wardroom and he said, I wanted you to meet the
- 16 fellow who prepared the fish. (Off mike.) I have
- 17 no idea what his responsibilities were but he
- 18 remembered that we were just very highly praised the
- 19 fish. He wanted to give some limelight to the fellow
- 20 who prepared the fish.
- 21 MR. TYRRELL: That certainly says something.
- 22 MRS. WYATT: Yes. He really spread it
- 23 around. (Off mike.) But it just struck me that at

1 this time of I'm sure great stress he took time to

- 2 do that.
- The other thing also (off mike). I didn't
- 4 catch it in its entirety but it sounded so odd that
- 5 I did remember. (Off mike.)
- 6 Okay. I heard whale song before the crash.
- 7 Were they playing a tape for me? That was what I
- 8 was thinking. I don't know. I don't know what
- 9 Captain Wattle was talking about or what he meant,
- 10 but I did understand the word, what tape was
- 11 playing. That wasn't the entirety of what he said
- 12 but I caught part of it. And the answer was it was
- 13 a whale song.
- 14 MR. TYRRELL: When were they playing the
- 15 tape?
- 16 MRS. WYATT: I don't know. That was part of
- 17 what I caught. But I thought that was strange.
- 18 (Off mike.) I have no idea.
- 19 MR. TYRRELL: Okay. Well, again, thank you
- 20 very much for taking time out of your day to talk to
- 21 me. I still need to contact your husband. I have
- 22 his office number and maybe I'll contact him
- 23 tomorrow.

- 1 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 2 MR. TYRRELL: I have (telephone number
- 3 omitted).
- 4 MRS. WYATT: Yes.
- 5 MR. TYRRELL: All right. I'll try and catch
- 6 him there.
- 7 Once again, thank you very much. It's been
- 8 a pleasure talking with you.
- 9 MRS. WYATT: You're welcome. (Off mike.) I
- 10 hope I've shed a little light on the subject.
- 11 MR. TYRRELL: I've got a much clearer
- 12 picture of what was going on on the submarine and
- 13 it's been very helpful. I still need to talk to
- 14 three or four people in the group that I haven't
- 15 gotten in touch with let. Undoubtedly I'll finish
- 16 up with them in the next day or two.
- 17 MRS. WYATT: I'd like to ask you a question.
- MR. TYRRELL: Yes, ma'am.
- 19 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.) Whether or not we
- 20 were quote " a distraction" unquote.
- 21 But that's my impression. I wasn't a crew
- 22 member. I don't know what it's like to be there on
- 23 a submarine when I'm not there. Had I been there

1 when no guests were there. So I don't really know

- 2 if we were a distraction or not and interfered in
- 3 some way with the crew's duties.
- 4 MR. TYRRELL: I'm sorry?
- 5 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 6 MR. TYRRELL: I personally have not talked
- 7 with any crew members. I'm in Washington, D.C. and
- 8 our investigators who are talking to the crew
- 9 members are out in Honolulu.
- 10 MRS. WYATT: This is kind of a matter on my
- 11 conscience to know if we were a distraction. I hope
- 12 and pray that we were not. I'm not a crew member. I
- 13 don't know if we were. That would be their call,
- 14 not mine.
- 15 MR. TYRRELL: I don't know either. I
- 16 honestly don't. But -- I don't know what to tell
- 17 you.
- 18 There was one other thing that I wanted to
- 19 ask. We received a report that the guests were
- 20 served alcohol on the submarine and I'm just
- 21 wondering whether or not that was a true statement
- 22 or whether or not that was just a --
- MRS. WYATT: No, no. At dinner, at lunch

- 1 time, there was water on the table. I didn't see
- 2 any alcohol. That was all there was. There was
- 3 coffee, sodas. There was no alcohol. No one
- 4 brought alcohol with them and we were not served
- 5 alcohol.
- 6 MR. TYRRELL: Great.
- 7 MRS. WYATT: (Off mike.)
- 8 MR. TYRRELL: After these accidents happen
- 9 we hear lots of things. We have to ask the
- 10 questions.
- 11 MRS. WYATT: I didn't see any. I didn't see
- 12 any offered to anybody. I didn't see anybody
- 13 drinking any.
- 14 MR. TYRRELL: Great. All right, then. I
- 15 think we've pretty much exhausted this topic.
- 16 MRS. WYATT: I hope so.
- 17 MR. TYRRELL: Me, too.
- 18 Well, have a good evening.
- 19 MRS. WYATT: Thank you for calling. I
- 20 appreciate it.
- MR. TYRRELL: Thank you for talking to me.
- 22 It's been a pleasure.
- 23 (Whereupon, the telephone interview was

1 concluded.)